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SUBJ: MEETING OF SUB-PANEL OF EXPERTS TO STUDY INFANTRY SMALL ARMS WEAPON SYSTEMS FOR THE POST-1980 PERIOD -- AC/225(PANEL III-SP.4)

REF: AC/225 (PANEL III-SP.4)X/12 DTD 25 FEB 1976

1. THERE FOLLOWS BELOW, IN ITS ENTIRETY, A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO AC/225(PANEL III-SP.4)D/24(3RD REVISE) PRESENTED BY FRG AND UK DELEGATIONS.

2. THIS PROPOSAL WILL BE DISCUSSED DURING THE NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FROM 6 TO 9 APRIL 1976 INCLUSIVE. BEGIN TEXT.

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STATEMENT BY THE UK AND FRG

AMENDMENTS TO AC/225(PANEL III-SP.4)D/24(3RD REVISE)

1. NOW THAT D/14 HAS BEEN PUBLISHED IT IS CLEAR THAT

CERTAIN AMENDMENTS ARE REQUIRED TO D/24(3RD REVISE). ALL
SUPPLYING GOVERNMENTS ARE ASKED TO NOTE THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

PARA 7.1 DELETE: "13 RIFLES", SUBSTITUTE "16 RIFLES"
I.E. 13 FOR MEPPEN
3 FOR COLD MEECE

PARA 7.2 DELETE: "13 MG OF EACH TYPE", SUBSTITUTE
"16 MG OF EACH TYPE"
I.E. 13 FOR MEPPEN
3 FOR COLD MEECE

PARA 7.3 THE AMMUNITION FIGURES ARE IN PROCESS OF
REVISION BY THE TEST CENTRES. AT PRESENT
THE TEST REQUIRE (FOR EXAMPLE) COMPLETE
BELTS OF TRACER AMMUNITION TO BE FIRED BUT
THIS IS NOT CONSIDERED REALISTIC. IT IS
MORE LIKELY THAT A MIX OF 4 BALL TO 1 TRACE
WILL BE FIRED AND THEREFORE THE BALL REQUIRE-
MENT WILL RISE, THE TRACER REQUIREMENT WILL
FALL.

PARA 12 DELETE: "4 MACHINE GUNS", SUBSTITUTE
"10 MACHINE GUNS"

2. ATTENTION IS ALSO DRAWN TO PARAS (13) AND (14).
PARA (14) IMPLIES BUT DOES NOT STATE THAT ADEQUATE SPARE
PARTS AND TRAINING AND INSTRUCTIONAL PAMPHLETS MUST BE PROVIDED
AND THE LEVEL OF REPAIR WILL NOT BE ABOVE THAT OF UNIT ARMOURER.
THESE DOCUMENTS WILL, OF COURSE, BE NEEDED AND REPAIR WILL BE
AT UNIT LEVEL.

3. PARA 1.3 REFERS TO THE WRITING OF THE COMPLETE
TRIAL INSTRUCTION DURING 1975/76. THE PANEL WILL BE INTERESTED
TO KNOW THAT DURING THE PAST FEW MONTHS THE UK AND FRG HAVE BEEN
IN CLOSE TOUCH AND THAT A FIRST PRELIMINARY DRAFT TRIAL
INSTRUCTION HAS NOW BEEN ISSUED. THIS WILL BE DISCUSSED IN
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DETAIL WITH THE TEST CENTRES CONCERNED AND IN LATE MARCH THE UK
AND FRG WILL AGAIN MEET TO CONSIDER ANY CHANGES NEEDED IN THE
DRAFT. THE AIM OF THIS EXERCISE IS TO PROVIDE THE DIRECTOR OF
THE TCC IN MID-1976 WITH A COMPLETE TECHNICAL TEST INSTRUCTION
WHICH CAN BE ISSUED AT VERY SHORT NOTICE AND GIVE GOVERNMENTS
THE MAXIMUM TIME TO IMPLEMENT ANY ACTION REQUIRED OF THEM.
MILITARY TEST INSTRUCTION CAN, OF COURSE, BE ISSUED LATTER.
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